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Dear Ms. Ruud:

**REVIEW OF THE HANFORD FACILITY RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND
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On May 18, 1999, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) modified the Dangerous Waste Portion of the Hanford Facility RCRA Permit. Revision 5 of the RCRA Permit added five Bechtel Hanford, Inc. (BHI) managed units undergoing closure; and incorporated Class 2 and 3 modifications to emergency preparedness documentation, personnel training, waste analysis, and process information to various unit-specific chapters.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has decided not to appeal Revision 5 of the RCRA Permit, based on two letters you recently issued, which quickly resolved Permittee issues with the 616 Nonradioactive Dangerous Waste Storage Facility, 325 Hazardous Waste Treatment Units, and 300 Area Process Trenches. DOE is requesting that Ecology issue a response to comments for Revision 5 of the RCRA Permit, Dangerous Waste Portion, as required per Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-303-840(9). DOE is further requesting that Ecology strengthen formality for the "Notice to the Permittee" for issuance of the RCRA Permit, so that notification is more consistent with other sections within WAC 173-303-840 requiring hand delivery or use of certified mail.

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Sincerely,



for James E. Rasmussen, Director
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